

# The Elba Clipper

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## Kinston Council Meeting Short And Productive Fuel Adjustment Increase Upsets Local Utility Users

The Kinston City Council met for the first time in four weeks on Tuesday night, October 4, and while the meeting was short (only 41 minutes), it was productive.

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Steve Hunko and council members Sara Bowden, Dewey Adams, Mickey Weeks and Harold Rhodes in attendance. The previously scheduled meeting on September 20 was postponed when only three members were present.

City Clerk Peggy Cain read the minutes of the last meeting, and they were adopted as read. Mayor Hunko informed the council that work on the jail had been completed, and that it had been approved by the State fire marshal. Hunko also reported the road work being done by the state is continuing, and despite a few complaints, the work is going smoothly and is greatly appreciated.

The council was informed that there were several used police suits at City Hall, and Mayor Hunko suggested selling the suits to surrounding cities. The council agreed the suits were doing the City of Kinston absolutely no good, and agreed to sell the suits to anyone who wants them.

The council briefly discussed the possibility of requiring a city license to people doing work by the hour in Kinston.

Councilman Harold Rhodes said, "It depends on whether the work is being done for a business or just by an individual."

The council seemed opposed to the proposal, but agreed to study the matter and discuss it again at a future meeting.

A letter was read from the Alabama League of Municipalities asking the council to appoint an Energy Board to help cut every waste in the city. The council failed to act on the matter, but all members spoke out in favor of establishing the special board.

City Clerk Peggy Cain reported the city books must be audited by November, and that she would be through working on the books before the next scheduled council meeting.

Mayor Hunko stated, "When we (the current council) took over, the city was \$8,000 - \$10,000 in the red (in debt). However, we have completed the past fiscal year without having to borrow money. For the first time in recent years, everything is going smoothly."

It was mentioned that a local resident wants to open a Recreation Center (billiard hall) in the city. The council agreed the "Pool Hall" could be opened, but stated it must operate by city regulations. The council decided the business would require a city license, and that the cost of the license would be \$50.

Chief of Police Randall Brooks read the law concerning "Pool Halls," and it stated that in a dry county, a person must be 18 to enter a billiard parlor.

"I think a pool hall might help keep the youngsters out of trouble," said Brooks, "and I think you should take a chance and let it open."

The council agreed to let Chief Brooks take charge in enforcing the City regulations at the recreation center (pool hall).

The next scheduled council meeting is set for Tuesday, October 11.

The citizens of Elba were hit a heavy blow earlier this week when the mailman began delivering utility bills - with the record high fuel adjustment added. The fuel adjustment jumped to over a penny a kilowatt on the current bills from a low of seven hundredths of a cent on the March billing.

The Elba Water and Electric Board has been adding the fuel adjustment to the bills since the last rate increase in the fall of 1976. The current overall fuel adjustment charge is 2 1/2 mills for board.

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This figure will be \$47,303.10, or about forty percent more than it is this month. The individual bill will be figured on .01467 a kilowatt rather than this month's .01064.

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a half million dollars a year now, and yet at times, has to borrow money to keep operating. The improvements in the general fund, but in the last few years, this has continued to drop to a point where no cash transfers have been made this year, and the utility has had to rely largely on borrowed money to carry out needed improvements on the system. The improvements are forced due to wearing-out equipment, transformers, etc., and the continuing increase of electric appliances in the homes.

The prediction for the next year is that the wholesale rate charged to Elba will increase sometime after January 1st. If this happens, the local utility board will have no choice but to again increase the power rates to the Elba consumer.

Also, there are no predictions of relief from the up-and-down fuel adjustment rates that are placed on bills each month.

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Local Lions To Hear District Governor Talk

Lion District Governor Bob Bedwell of the Metro Lions of Montgomery will make his official visit to the Elba Lions Club on October 11.

Bedwell became Governor following swearing in ceremonies at the New Orleans Lions International Convention on July 2. His record as a Lion extends back to 1951 and includes serving as President of the Ashford, Capitol and Ozark Lions clubs, all in the Southeast Alabama District. He has also served in the capacity of Zone Chairman and Deputy District Governor.

The State Highway Department will begin re-surfacing and paving Elba City streets next Tuesday.

## Elba Council Approves New Budget Prepared By Clerk

The Elba City Council met Tuesday night with all members present and without the fireworks that have marked many such meetings in the past months. The first item of business after the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was to recognize Foy English who asked if any progress had been made in the Boggan mobile home case. The Boggans parked a mobile home in an R-1 zone after losing an attempt to get the area rezoned. Mr. English has appeared several times before the council, asking that the law be enforced. Each time he is either told by the mayor that it will be handled or that they are trying to get in contact with the city attorney.

Next, was the approval of the budget for the coming year. The councilmen were given a copy of this a week ago and the discussion Tuesday night was over making one small change and approving the entire budget. City Clerk Jack Prescott and his staff had prepared the budget, using actual expense figures and actual income figures from the past year. The council, on a motion by Councilman John W. Sharpless, approved the elimination of Christmas gifts for city employees and placed the budget \$750 in the recreation fund.

Mayor Folsom stated he was in full agreement with this and added he felt it was illegal for the city to give gifts to anyone. The only "no" vote was from Dad English who wanted to stop the Christmas gifts also, but wanted to place the money in the capital improvement fund, noting it was entirely too low.

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Approval was given to pay up to \$400 on a City of Elba float in the annual Peanut Festival parade in Dothan. The monthly bills totalled \$8628.40 and were approved for payment. City Clerk Jack Prescott noted that the bills were running about \$3000 a month higher than for the same period a year ago. The council discussed this and without any formal action, suggested the purchasing be studied closer in the future and nothing purchased that was not needed.

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Folsom told the council of the pending need to replace one employee in the street department. It was noted that the council, several months ago, had instructed the mayor and city clerk not to replace anyone in the street department. Since that time, three employees have left and it is now cutting the department too short, Folsom said. The council agreed to replace the man.

A discussion of the overtime, reported in the street department and the police department, involved all city officials, but no action was taken.

Skip Rainer, chairman of the Elba Recreation Board, told the council of the recent meeting of his board and the recommendations to the city. They included remodeling and re-opening the Mulberry Gym, hiring a person to operate the gym and asked permission to select a person for this job. The council approved this action on a motion by Councilman Mike Russell.

After a lengthy discussion and a ten minute recess, the council approved an additional \$10 raise for dogcatcher Avery Jackson. Last week the council gave Jackson a \$5 increase in his expenses. This gives him a total of \$60 for the part-time job of dogcatcher and license inspector.

Listing of an additional police officer was tabled until later by vote of the council. This item has been tabled at previous meetings also.

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## ADULT CLASSES ARE NOW IN PROGRESS LOCALLY

Adult classes in basic education begin in the county this week, according to Mr. J. H. Baker, superintendent of the Coffee County Board of Education.

Persons who left school before receiving a high school diploma will have another chance to do so. The high school equivalency rating will help in getting a job and even go to college.

Interested parties should contact the school of their choice for registration immediately. Classes will be held at the following schools: Goodman Junior High School, Kinston High School, New Brookton High School, Zion Chapel High School, Warren Smith School, Work Release Center in Elba.

## Jake Bonneau Named Mental Health Veep

The South Alabama Mental Health Board held its annual public meeting recently at the Enterprise Junior College. A slide presentation of the Mental Health facilities and a report of program activities over the past year were given. The 1977-78 slate of officers for the Mental Health Board was also announced.

Mr. Shelby Searcy, a Greenville resident, will serve as Board president. Executive committee members for Coffee County will be Chief E. H. Murdock serving as Board Secretary, and Mr. Jake Bonneau serving as vice-president.

## Elba Native Now With University

Mrs. Lois Vaughan, a native of Elba, works as administrative associate to the dean of the School of Public and Allied Health (SPA) at the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB).

Lois has been very much involved in the growth of the allied health field during her 15 years at UAB. She joined the UAB Medical Center's University Hospital as senior administrative secretary in January 1962.

Moving to Birmingham and becoming involved with the allied health field marked a major change in Lois' life, taking her away from Elba and her job as secretary to the president of a manufacturing firm here. She grew up in Elba as the next to the youngest in a family of twelve children and raised her own family.

Her career interests in health and education are reflected in her two sons. Her oldest, Dr. Tom B. Vaughan, Jr., is a psychiatrist and the training director for interns and residents in the School of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry at UAB. Her youngest son, John W. Vaughan, is assistant superintendent of education in Elba.

Lois plans to continue working at SPAH until her retirement. Then she wants to do some of the things which are precluded by her present busy schedule such as traveling, working with her plants, decorating her home and enjoying her grandchildren.

## BY ARTS ALLIANCE Rainer To Be Honored At Tea Sunday Afternoon

The Coffee County Arts Alliance will host a reception for Mr. Lamar Rainer of Elba. Time will be 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Mary Louise's Art Gallery on W. Simmons Street.

The occasion for the reception is the publication of Mr. Rainer's award-winning acrylic painting, "Fifth Sunday." The painting, in limited edition prints, depicts a combination preaching, dinner-on-the-ground and cemetery working in the church yard on a beautiful autumn day. Signed and numbered prints will be available at the exhibition.

In addition to his artistic talents, Mr. Rainer is a prominent local banker, businessman, a member of the Board of CCA and the State Council on the Arts and Humanities. Also on display will be the \$200 purchase award painting by Bill Totty of Dothan, chosen at the Coffee County Arts Festival held in May, 1977.

There will also be an exhibit of paintings by local and area artists taught at Mary Louise's by Mrs. JoAnn Hartwell, through the short-term courses sponsored by the Enterprise State Jr. College.

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POOR ORIGNAL



## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We have had a lot of static about me not telling where my real good fishing hole is located. This bothers me also, because I am one of those fishermen who gets as much or more enjoyment out of telling about my fishing as I do actually fishing. However, this is a case of protection - of me, Chris and I have the honored privilege of fishing this gold mine any time we choose, but it ain't open to the public. If we go and tell the world about this hidden paradise, then we run the chance of having the lock changed on us, and we don't want that at all! So, eat your heart out fishermen.

Cool weather arrived on us suddenly this week. However, the experts say it will leave in a day or so. It is nice to get out and feel a little nip in the air in the early morning, but I shudder to think this means it will soon be cold about daylight and later cold all day long.

There is a great need for housing in Elba. People get together and talk about doing things to help the town grow, but people who try to move here find the number of available houses to be almost nonexistent. I do wish someone with a bunch of money would get up and invest in it in new houses for people wanting to live in Elba.

The Elba-Enterprise ball game Friday night was a technical loss for Elba, but it was sure a moral victory. To see the Enterprise team just keep coming out the field and Elba's small number and many of them young - it was great to see Elba get on such a positive performance. We were beat - but not embarrassed.

Think about the fine sportsmanship exhibited by both teams Friday night. As a man in Enterprise said this week, "You folks clobbered our quarterback all night, but every time you also helped him up after the play!" Now, I like this action. It indicates that both parties realize that it is a game, and only a game. I saw just the opposite happening when the Wildcats flattened one of Elba's players.

I hesitate to fuss with the Water and Electric board or any of its members because they do a thankless job and catch a whole lot of static from other unreasonable people already. However, I think Chairman Charles Hayes erred in adding the 2-1/2-cent to the fuel adjustment this month without prior approval of the board. I don't question the need for the money; in fact, the financial statements have indicated they needed more money for several months. Yet this is a public utility governed by a board. It would be foolish for us consumers to refuse to pay the 2-1/2 cents because it wasn't approved earlier, because the board could pass it next Tuesday night retroactively, and the only thing we would gain is a lot of extra work for the ladies in the office. We suggest that rather than call it part of the high fuel adjustment, the needed money actually be added to our rates "up front" and the public told what is happening. The fuel adjustment is confusing enough for our common folks already without this factor added. Again, I am glad someone will do the job Charles is doing at the low, low salary (nothing) he gets, but Charles, you were wrong in the mind of ye people.

The Elba Police Department has been short an officer for about a month after Frank Thomas resigned. The City Council has tabled action on this more than once. Tuesday night Councilman Jimmy Wise explained why the matter was continuously postponed. Former Elba police chief Jack Smart has applied for the job, and there is a number of questions surrounding his age and the Alabama minimum standards. The councilmen keep tabling any action until they know for sure if Smart is eligible or not. This could blow into a full-scale battle, but at present all city officials are working hard to settle the matter of hiring another police officer without reopening old wounds. We hope they are successful.

My family had the pleasure of spending a few hours at the beach this past weekend. We usually try to go down one weekend after the hot, hot sun has cooled a little and the crowds thinning. It is sure nice not to fight traffic or burn up in the hot sun, and yet enjoy the benefits of the white beaches and the crashing waves. With all that white sand and blue water, I managed to get in front of a TV tube and watch a football game and follow that with one on the radio later in the day. In fact, I didn't even get my swim suit wet until after dark Saturday night.

## It Happened At The Elementary School

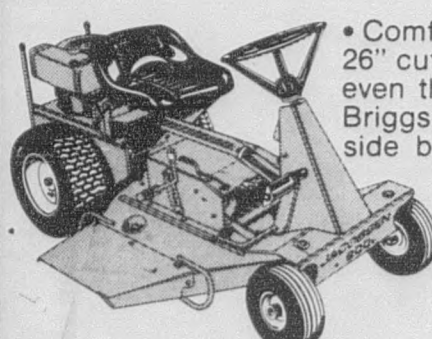
By Chris Cox

What happened at school last week. We were just going about our regular business, on some heads! So as he said, we lay down and listened. He talked a while and then he went to the library. We could not figure out why in tarnation we were going. We got there and Mr. Bruce said:

lay down, get comfortable, and listen, or he would put a knot about our regular business, on some heads! So as he said, we lay down and listened. He talked a while and then he went to the library. We could not figure out why in tarnation we were going. We got there and Mr. Bruce said:

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## HOSPITAL NOTES

Persons admitted to the Elba General Hospital during the period of September 27 through October 4 are as follows:

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Those discharged during this same period of time are as follows:

Roy Ledford, Leslie Compton, Edie Elmhurst, Kathy Coven, John Taylor, Jane McKenzie, Mary Flowers, Cheone Lucas, Jane Bryan, Ocie Whitehead, Lamar Killingsworth, Richard Flowers, Luther Walden, Daisy Rushing, Vera Bryan, Rose Lee Adams, Kim Holley, Eugene Streetman, Michael Towns, Arthur King, Paul Haghey, Jeffrey Driggers, Sam Cox, Helen Farris, Mamie McKinney, Jeffrey Bowden, Edwin Cooper, John D. Burch, Byron Parrish, Brent Goodson, J. D. Witherington, Joseph Kyser, Minnie Burnett, Jerome Craft, William Scarborough, Dixie Coppage, Charles Boutwell, Sara Trammell, Althia Prescott, Claudia Peason, Romona Adkins, C. D. Holloway, John F. Coleman, Earl Coleman, Grady Harper, Mae White, Ida Mae Cole, Richard Ellison, Nesbit Elbert, Frances Benson, Maurice Morgan.

## Brocton High To Celebrate Homecoming

The New Brocton High School will celebrate homecoming on Friday, October 7, 1977.

Activities will begin with a 2 p.m. parade passing through the streets of the city. A football game between the New Brocton Gamecocks and the Glen Chapel Rebels at 7:30 p.m. will climax the events. Reigning over these festivities are Queen Judy Brantley, Knight and her Senior attendant Cherry Holmes, Junior attendant Neida Godwin, and Freshman attendant Fran Horton.

The honored classes of '48, '49 and '68 will be recognized at the game.

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Holley's Restaurant.

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Water &amp; Electric Board - 2nd Tuesday at 5:30 at City Hall

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ROTARY CLUB - each Monday at Noon.

WEIGHT WATCHERS - Zion Chapel High School - Each

Monday Night at 6:30

## Third Graders Hold Play At Elem. School

Mrs. Hornsby's third grade class at Elba Elementary School presented an assembly program entitled, "The Parade of Months," on Monday Morning, October 3.

Each member of the class participated in portraying the seasons, months, and holidays of the year through verse and song. Students, parents, and teachers enjoyed the songs and recitations.

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## DEATHS

BURTON KNIGHT PATRICK  
Following a coma on Monday evening, September 26, 1977, Capt. Burton Patrick passed away.

The grandson of Daniel, David Knight, Coffee County's many honors and records related to flying. He was a member of American Airlines "Grey Wings", and at one time held the world's record for light airplane flight from Palm Beach to New York.

The son of Burton Arms Patrick and Minnie Anna Knight Patrick, Capt. Patrick is survived by a widow, Mrs. June Roselle, Illinois; and his sister, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Dale of Lake Worth, Fla.; and her sons, Raymond, Burton Dale of Lake City, Fla., and James Patrick Dale and Daniel David Dale, both of West Palm Beach, Fla.

Following a funeral service, Capt. Patrick's body was to be cremated and the ashes scattered from a plane.

EDD EMANUEL MAYBERRY  
Mr. Edd Emanuel Mayberry, 91, of Lakeview Manor in Opp, died September 30, 1977.

Funeral services were held October 3, 1977, at 11:00 a.m. at Rainer's Funeral Home Chapel in Opp, with Rev. Claude Keenan officiating. Rainer's Funeral Home directed. Burial was in the Dandridge Cemetery.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Sallie Mae Lackey Mayberry, two daughters: Mrs. Sara Hester Benbow of Whistler, Ala.; Mrs. Mary Ann Wood, Satsuma, Ala.; three sons: Willie Glenn Mayberry, Noccoa, Texas; Thomas Manell Mayberry, Memphis, Tenn.; and Otha Mayberry, Browns Mills, N. J.; 12 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

LACQY HANCHEY  
Lacqy Hanchey, 25, of Opelika, died Saturday, October 1, 1977, in a Birmingham hospital.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 4, 1977, at 11:00 a.m. at the Popper Baptist Church with burial following in the Garden Hill Cemetery.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Hanchey; two sisters: Lanore and Lavonne Hanchey, all of Opelika; one grandmother, Mrs. Annie Marier, Elba.

Card of Thanks  
We the members of Pleasant Ridge Church want to thank the Nolin family for donations that they gave for the use of our grounds and facilities with serving beginning at 11:00 o'clock until 1:00 p.m. Plates are \$2.00.

Barbeque To Be Held At Victoria  
There will be a barbeque in the Victoria Community building this Saturday, October 8, with serving beginning at 11:00 o'clock until 1:00 p.m. Plates are \$2.00.

Thanks again,  
BETTY C. LEWIS  
Publicity Chairman

Dear Ferrin,  
A few weeks ago I wrote you to thank everyone who had a part in comforting our Beauty Shoppe for the residents of the Elba Nursing Home. This has certainly proved worthwhile and all the residents are so excited about it.

After completing the Beauty Shoppe there was enough money left over to purchase 4 high-back rockers for our front porch that have already been put to use. Even though the weather has been hot, some of the residents find sitting on the front and rocking is a good way to pass the time.

I would like to mention the wonderful response we have had from a letter written by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Lowery. They asked that if anyone had extra vegetables that they would want to share with the residents at the Nursing Home, and I can assure you that we have been well-blessed with peas, tomatoes, okra, egg plants, squash, watermelons and peanuts for bottling. You will never know how much we appreciated your thoughtfulness in sharing with us fresh vegetables to enjoy.

Again let me say there's no place in the world like Elba and the wonderful people who live here.

May God bless each of you.  
Sincerely,  
LORENE BRYAN  
Adm. Asst.

## New Brocton Class

Of 58 To Be Honored

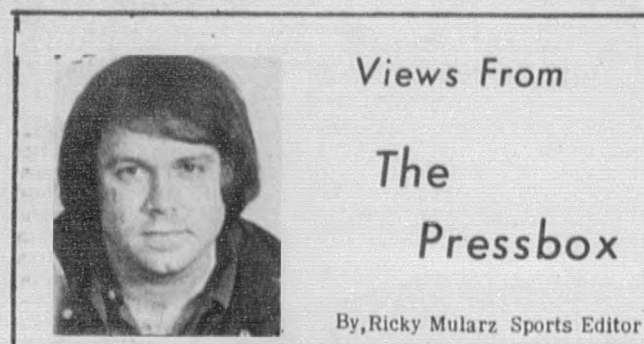
The New Brocton Sr. Class of 1958 will be honored at the homecoming football game this Friday night at New Brocton, Friday night, October 7.







# Sports



Views From  
The  
Pressbox  
By Ricki Mularz Sports Editor

This week the old "Tip of the Hat" goes to the Coffee Springs Golden Bears for their win over Houston County. The Bears are now 0-0, and going back to last season, they beat a nine-game winning streak!

## TIGERS SIMPLY OUTCLASSED

The Elba Tigers were simply outclassed last week in their 25-7 loss to Enterprise. The Tigers played just about as good as they could, and stunned everyone at the game by going in at the half trailing only 10-7.

The major difference in the game was the powerful Enterprise offense. The Wildcats offensive line totally dominated the line of scrimmage, allowing their running backs to pick up huge chunks of yardage. The Enterprise runners had 14 runs of 10 yards or more, and the Wildcats' ball control offense kept us from scoring more than one touchdown.

If we had been able to keep the ball as much as usual, I honestly think we'd have scored 2 or 3 touchdowns. The Elba offense moved the ball pretty good throughout the game, but like they say, "You can't score if you don't have the ball."

I think Elba played a good game last week, and they have a right to be proud. They proved they can stay on the field with anybody, because Enterprise is the number one ranked 4A team in the state!

## TIGERS PUT STRIKE ON LINE

The Elba Tigers put a three game winning streak on the line Friday night when they host the Troy Trojans. The Tigers have beaten Troy three straight years, and the Trojans have to know they've never beaten us since Larry Phillips has been playing.

In '74 Elba won 21-16, in '75 we battled back from a 21-0 halftime deficit to win 28-27, and last year, we jumped into a 14-0 lead after only 32 seconds and breezed to a 28-14 win.

In three games against Troy, Larry Phillips has rushed for 374 yards on 58 carries. That's an average of over 6.7 yards a carry. Larry has also scored four touchdowns against Troy.

Let's hope Larry has his "typical" great game against Troy, and make it four wins in a row!

## PREP ROUNDUP

Brantley had to come from behind last week to edge Goshen 28-0. Maybe the near-loss will bring the Bulldogs back down to earth.

Florida upset its record to 5-0 by drubbing Straghan 28-0. The Wildcats could make the season a huge success this week by upending Opp.

Andalusia remained unbeaten by blasting Opp 27-6. The game was billed as a toss-up, but the 'Dogs proved to be much too strong for all local competitors!

Kinston bit the dust by losing to Clio. The Bulldogs have a good team, but just don't seem to know how to win!

Zion Chapel had a happy homecoming by rolling past Arton 27-13. The Rebs help New Brockton celebrate homecoming this week in what should be quite a game.

## POLISH PICKS

The Polish Prognosticator hit on 14 of 15 picks last week, and hit the point spread of the Elba game right on the nose.

For the year, the Polish Prognosticator is 51-9 for a dazzling 85%.

Here are this week's fearless forecasts:

## ELBA vs TROY

The Tigers should have grown-up some last week against Enterprise. Troy has a good team, but I'm picking Elba to remain unbeaten in Tiger Stadium.....

ELBA 17 TROY 13

## ZION CHAPEL vs NEW BROCKTON

The "Game of the Week" locally should be a real knockout drag-out. It's homecoming in Gamecock Country, and that could make the difference.....

NEW BROCKTON 7 ZION CHAPEL 6

## LANIER vs ENTERPRISE

The Wildcats have a good offense, but might be a little weak defensively. I'll go with Enterprise, even though Lanier is primed for an upset.....

ENTERPRISE 21 LANIER 14

## OPP vs FLORIDA

The Rebels lost last week, and could bite the dust again if they're not careful. However, I think Opp is a little too strong for the 2A rivals.....

OPP 14 FLORIDA 6

## OTHER PICKS

Geneva 28 Hartford 18  
Coffee Springs 36 Long 0  
Clio 20 Louisville 7  
Andalusia 31 Ashford 16  
Houston Academy 16 Prattville 10  
Dothan 14 Arton 6  
Ashford Academy 21 Lowndes Academy 0  
Eufaula 29 Union Springs 7  
Dexter 12 Clayton 6  
Slocomb 20 Columbia 12

Rhett McCollough holds a 5-lb. bass he caught Saturday in a private pond. Rhett caught the bass on a fire-tail worm.

\*\*Picture compliments of the Elba Bait Shop.

## Elba Tigers Brace For Trojan Aerial Attack

When Charles Henderson High of Troy invades Tiger Stadium Friday night, the Trojans will be led by quarterback Mark Davis, the Number One passer in the South Alabama Conference.

Davis has completed 40 out of 87 passes for 563 yards and two touchdowns. When Davis goes to the air, his favorite target is Tim Green, who has caught 16 passes for 194 yards.

"Troy has a good team," said Elba coach Mack Wood in a recent interview, "and they'll be sky-high for us. Elba is a rival for Troy, and they would like nothing better than to whip us."

"Troy throws the ball a lot," added Wood, "and they have a good quarterback and 2 or 3 good receivers."

Turning to last week's 23-7 loss to Enterprise, Wood stated, "There's not much I can say. They just out-physicalized us."

"We didn't play as well as we could on defense," said Wood. "We did well at times, but at other times we did real poor. Our defense had to fumble a lot and could have caused some of the problems."

"Offensively, we had a passing game," said Wood. "We had people open, but either we wouldn't get the ball to them, or they'd drop it. James Smith and Larry Phillips both gained good yardage on our basic running plays, but we didn't execute well on first and third down plays."

"Overall," said Wood, "I was a little disappointed in the way we played all the way around." Coach Wood reported the Tigers were "okay" injury wise, and expects the team to be at full strength by Friday night.

In closing, Wood stated, "They were supposed to have blown us out in the first half, but their starters were still playing late in the fourth quarter. Our boys hung in there well, and I guarantee you they never quit!"

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## Pea River Canoe Race Set For Sunday

The 3rd annual Pea River Canoe Race will be held on Sunday, October 9, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Folsom Bridge on Highway 167.

The finish line will be the Pea River Bridge on Highway 84 in Elba.

Anyone interested in entering the race should contact Joe Bob Allen at the Troy Maid Bakery in Troy.

The race is open to all ages and skill levels. Prizes will be awarded for the fastest time in each age group.

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## South Alabama Conference Football Statistics

3A DIVISION	SAC	ALL GAMES	2A DIVISION	SAC	ALL GAMES
1. Eufaula	3-0	5-1	1. Florala	1-0	5-0
2. Andalusia	2-0	6-0	2. Laverne	1-0	2-3
3. Elba	2-1	4-2	3. Straghan	1-1	3-2
4. Opp	2-1	5-1	4. Daleville	1-1	2-4
5. Troy	0-2	2-4	5. Samson	0-1	0-6
6. Geneva	0-2	1-4	6. Red Level	0-0	2-4
7. Brundidge	0-3	1-4			

PUNTING		
	NO.	AVE.
1. Randy Harrelson - Str.	17	40.1
2. Danny Lee - Troy	21	35.4
3. Tony Dykes - Euf.	14	34.6
4. Ken Martin - Elba	18	34.5
5. Van Starnes - Andy	10	33.6



PREP FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, SEP. 10





Miss Deborah Hornsby  
To Marry Charles Hines

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby J. Hornsby of Arton announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Deborah Carol, to Charles Michael Hines, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hines of New Brockton.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Kelley of Arton, and of Mr. Frank Hornsby of Arton.

Miss Hornsby attended Dixie Academy and is a graduate of Troy State University with a B.S. degree in business administration. She plans to further her studies in the master's degree program. She is employed by Tire Distributors, Inc. of Arton.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Mrs. J. M. Hines and the late Mr. J. M. Hines of New Brockton and of the late Mr. R. Hollis of Arton. Mr. Hines is a graduate of New Brockton High School and is self-employed by Hines Farms, Inc. of New Brockton.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, October 22, at Holmes Free Will Baptist Church in Arton at 7 p.m.

### BIRTH

LAURA LOUISA MANN

### PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Cook returned home Sunday from Tuscaloosa where they spent an enjoyable week with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Stoddard, Donna and Judy.

A highlight of their trip was a visit to the Tuscaloosa County Fair.

Their granddaughter, Judy Hudson, returned home with them for a few days visit.

### Griswolds Celebrate Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Vanburen Griswold, Jr., Rt. 2, Brundage, were honored at a reception in their home, given by their daughter, on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Sunday September 25.

Hurricane lamps bedecked with gold ribbons lined the walk. The entry was adorned with gold wedding bells and the gold color scheme was used in floral arrangements throughout the house.

The rolling pin, the traditional symbol of marital discord, bore a happy note on this occasion. The "groom" personally exhibited an old family rolling pin near the entry which bore a sign proclaiming "This is the secret of our 50 years together."

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Danny Winham of Birmingham. In the receiving line with the honorees was their daughter, Mrs. Melba Griswold of Montgomery, and Mrs. Leon Hornsby of New Hope.

The 4-tiered heart-shaped cake, placed against a background of brass candelabra with gold tapers, was flecked with gold wedding bells and wedding bands and topped with a filigreed heart centered with larger wedding bells. Yellow roses and daisies cascaded down the front of the cake.

The punch table was centered with a gold fountain banked with ivy, with floral arrangement of bronze and gold mums at one end of the table.

The "bride" of 50 years was radiant in a long-sleeved coral gown with empire waistline. The neckline was accented with elongated crystal beading in a sunburst effect. Her jewelry was a gold rope chain necklace, gift of her husband in honor of the occasion. Her corsage was a white orchid with a yellow



Assisting the hostess were Mrs. Bill Dismukes of Montgomery, who registered the guests; Mrs. Steve Dewberry, Mrs. Byron Howell and Mrs. Silas Shepard of New Hope; Mrs. Eutoka Johnson of Hartford; Mrs. Keith Byrd of Auburn; Mrs. Lewis Earl Johnson of Ino; Mrs. Glen Dunning, Mrs. Joe Hornsby, Mrs. Skip Royster and Mrs. Bob Stephens of Montgomery; and Mrs. Guy Johnson of Enterprise.

More than 200 guests called between the hours of 2:00 and 4:30 p.m.

### Miss Easters Engaged To Thomas Bazzel

Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Robert Douglas Easters announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah, to Thomas Russell Bazzel, Jr., of Atlanta.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Eva Easters of Elba and Mr. William Silas of Selma, and Mr. and Mrs. William Martin Capps of Enterprise.

Mr. Bazzel is the son of Mrs. Thomas Russell Bazzel and the late Mr. Bazzel. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Phelps Bledsoe of Tuskegee and the late Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Arthur Bazzel of Clanton.

Miss Easters, a Kappa Delta, is a fine arts graduate from Auburn University, and now operates his design studio Heavy Starch and Co. in Atlanta.

Mr. Bazzel, a Phi Delta Theta, is a fine arts graduate of Auburn University, and now operates his design studio Heavy Starch and Co. in Atlanta.

The wedding will be celebrated on November 26 at the Elba United Methodist Church.

### Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Brice Paul



of Birmingham announce the birth of a baby boy, Eris Bryan, born on Thursday, September 29.

Proud grandparents are Judge and Mrs. Eris Paul of Elba; and Mrs. Warner Brunsen of Enterprise.



### ELBA HIGH SCHOOL TO PARTICIPATE IN BOWL

Almost 200 high school students and counselors from 26 south Alabama high schools, including Elba High School, gathered in the Communication Center of Troy State University recently to kick off the 1977 "TSU Prep Bowl" season.

The Prep Bowl television program features friendly academic competition between high school teams of four members each. The program is similar to the C.E. College Bowl of the 1950's.

"TSU Prep Bowl" is taped on the campus in the studios of WTSU-TV, Channel 5, a service of the Hall School of Journalism. The program is aired over Channel 5 in the City of Troy as a part of the station's regular evening programming. The telecasts will begin October 4 and will continue through the championship match in April.

Questions asked during each match are prepared by members of the Troy State faculty. Subjects from which questions may be asked include English, math, world history, vocabulary and several other subjects covered in school.



Spirit Stick Winner  
Susan Judah



### SR. HIGH STUDENT COUNCIL

"Go Tigers - Go!"

**BAND HAS UPS AND DOWNS**

Every activity has its ups and downs, and the band is no exception.

Success is -- getting a hat and overlay that "fit."

Disappointment is -- finding the only pants left are ten sizes too big.

Success is -- thunderous applause at the end of your halftime show.

Disappointment is -- getting nothing at marching contest.

Success is -- having stylish band pants.

Disappointment is -- discovering you forgot to clean your horn just before inspection.

Success is -- starting our performance at the same time.

Disappointment is -- ending with a few notes left over.

**ESSA Advisory Committee Meets**

The ESSA (Emergency School Assistance Act) Student Advisory Committee of Elba Jr. High School met Thursday, September 22, 1977, during activity period in Mr. Windham's office.

A brief discussion was held about the functions and purposes of the program and the advantages of having an ESSA program as part of the curriculum.

Plans were made for the election of officers at the next meeting.

The ESSA Committee meets the fourth Thursday of each month during activity period in Mr. Windham's office.

### Football Captains Team, We're With You

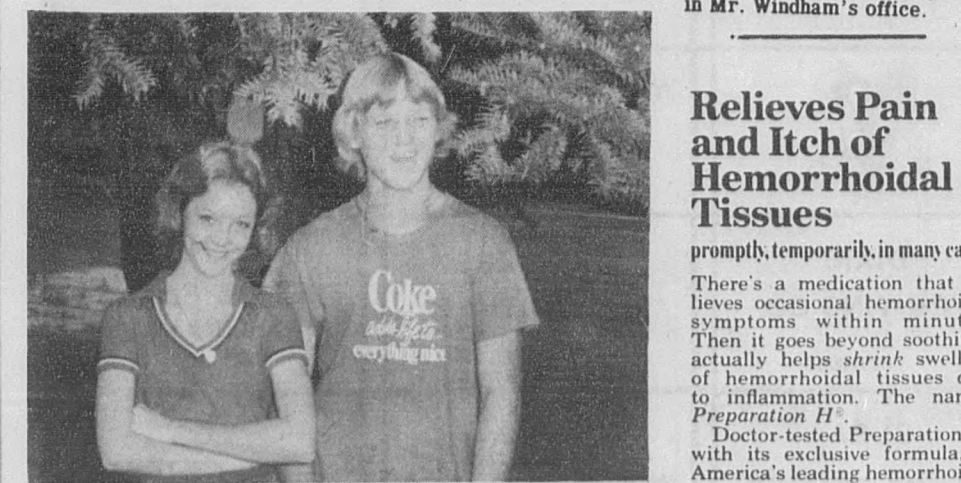
Another football season is underway. The air is filled with sounds of "pump, kick, run" and pounding feet.

Numbers tell which team wins and which team loses, and by what margins. But numbers are only a small part of the story, a very small part, which say nothing about the players and supporters they represent.

This year, we hope the Tiger fans will support the team in something more than the traditional recounting of scoreboard totals. The people who make up the team are to be our first concern. They're real flesh and blood, human people, more important than numbers and more important than wins and losses.

So...

**FIGHT, TEAM, FIGHT**  
But this we wish to say  
Whether you win  
Or if you lose  
We're with you all the way.



CUTEST COUPLE  
Dennis Smith & Melissa Nolin



### Seniors Of The Week

Terry Young, Joey Holley, James Daniels

### Mu Alpha Theta Holds First Meeting

The first meeting of the Elba High School chapter of Mu Alpha Theta was held in the library on September 15, 1977, during activity period.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Julie Holliday, and the roll was called by the secretary, Vicky Spurlin.

Julie then welcomed the new members and handed out committee sheets which told all members on which committee they would serve.

After Julie had spoken of the requirements that each club member has on the committees, she then discussed dues and grade requirements.

Mrs. Addison, club sponsor, then took the floor and discussed our homecoming responsibilities. We and the Library Council were to get judges to judge the entries in the parade, get a platform for the judges, get awards for the winners, and get appreciation gifts for the judges. It was decided to give certificates for the awards.

Julie again took the floor and discussed with the members the idea the Club officers had thought of for the Mu Alpha Theta entry. Afterwards, Mike Rich, the vice-president and chairman of the Program Committee, took over.

He explained a game called Tangrams. Tangrams have seven pieces called Tans. The members were then separated into five groups and were asked to find ways to depict silhouettes of animals, human figures and other recognizable objects, using the seven tans. The officers then judged the five groups and decided the group depicting a rabbit were the winners. They were Andy Ballard, Melinda Farris, Perry Farris, Sheila Harrison, Michael Henne, Marie Jones, Villa Owens and Ashley Young.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

CHUCK MACK, Club Historian

### ENJOY IT WHILE YOU HAVE IT

Many graduates are seen in our halls and at the football games. Often these are the students who vowed they would never return. Then they do they?

It's because they miss EHS. They miss the activity periods, the lunch break, club meetings, assemblies, jokes in class, kidding the teachers, and most of all, being with their classmates and their friends. These are all a very important part of senior in high school. They make up the memories. You have these days now; hold on to them, notice what is around you. Don't think you are too cool, too sophisticated or too old. There is nothing degrading about it; it's your life now, so make the most of it. It will never be the same.

You have the frizzies! You're new and you don't know anybody. You can type only twenty words a minute. He's more interested in cars than he is in you. He gave you his ring and you LOST IT. He knows you like him and you've been trying to keep it a secret. You can't date. You can date, but you haven't been asked out for one.



### Band Members Of The Week

Cindy Allen, Lindy Smart

### BORES MAKE DULL TOWNS

"Hey, this town is really boring. There's never anything to do around here!"

Sound familiar? Most EHS students should recognize this phrase. Do they really understand what they're saying?

Many of Elba down, complaining of "nothing to do." But consider this - a town is made up of the people in it; all attitudes, recreations and ideas.

**EXCUSES-EXCUSES-EXCUSES**

Teachers and principals probably hear more excuses than anybody, except policemen. Here are some examples:

**"TARDINESS"**

1. "I had a flat on the way to school."

2. "I was eight minutes to go from Room 12 to 20."

3. "Humorous - 'The button fell off my shirt and rolled down two flights of stairs. It took six minutes to chase it down.'"

**"CLASS SKIPPING"**

1. "Untrue - 'The coach made me run around the football field.'"

2. "Humorous - (Except not to the student). 'Well, I would have been in fifth period, but I had a flat tire on my way back from the Dairy... Oops!'"

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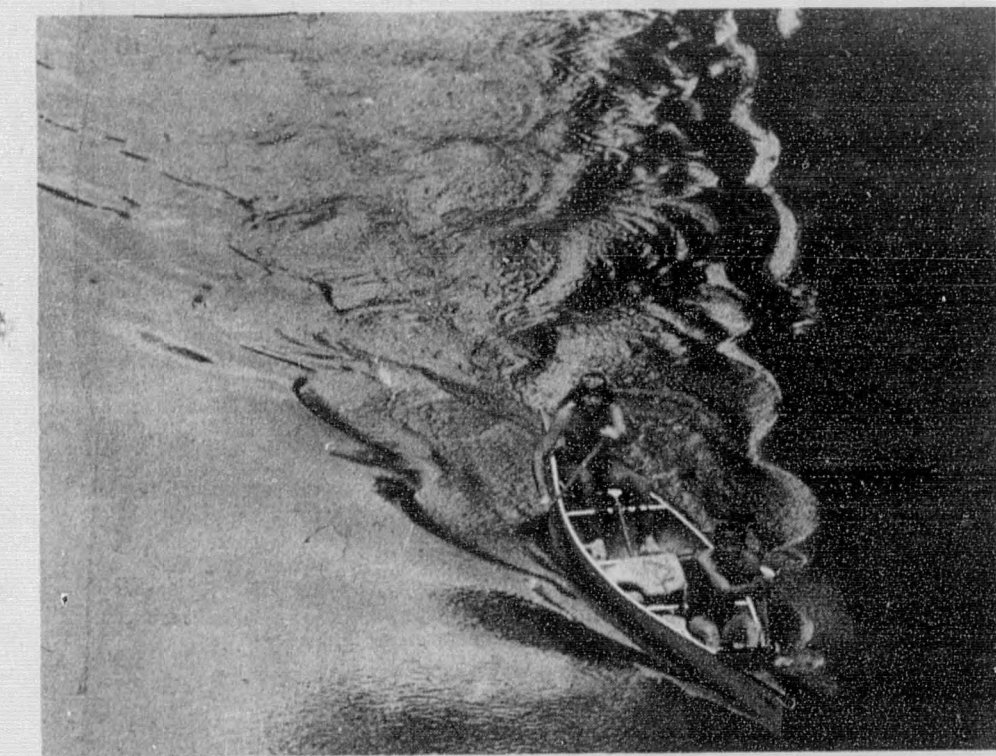
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1977 Annual Pea River Canoe Race Winners

## Utility Board Votes 2 1/2 Mill Add On For Three Months

As was expected, the Elba Water and Electric Board officially approved the 2-1/2 mill add-on to the fuel adjustment. The add-on will be in effect through the December 1st billing, according to the motion made by Mayor Robert Folsom and passed unanimously by the Board. The additional millage had been added on by Chairman Charles Hayes when he was informed by the consulting engineer that the Board finances were in an ever-increasing bind. Hayes said as the increase was being approved that it would be looked at again on

the fact that are "lost" through lines grounding in trees, lightning each other, etc. The Board as not having been collected. Also \$352.22 of income is apparently lost and the meters have been pulled and \$454.43 is classified inactive accounts, where the customer has moved. There are some deposits to be applied on these accounts and some will be collected, according to City Clerk Jack Prescott. Hayes informed the Board members that the auditor has notified him that the warehouse inventory was "awful." Hayes recommended that a man again

be hired to stay at the warehouse at all times. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. Approval of monthly bills totaling \$4,090.74 concluded the meeting. A total of \$371.17 in September



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## County Engineer Tells Commission Highway Department To Lay Off 17 Employees

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